SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF		
IN RE:	x	1: 08-CV-04305
MAYNE MILLER,		1: 08-CV-04306
,	Debtor	
MAYNE MILLER,		
v.	Appellant	APPELLEE'S RESPONSE
JEFFREY L. SAPIR, as Cl	hapter 13 Trustee, Appellee	
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- Jeffrey L. Sapir, respectfully represents the following:
- He is the Standing Chapter 13 Trustee for the Southern District of
   New York, and is fully familiar with the facts and circumstances of this case.
- This is submitted pursuant to direction of this Court (Honorable John G. Koetl) for a response by Appellee to the Appellant's motion for reconsideration of the dismissal and motion for consolidation.
- 3. Presently before this Court are two (2) appeals from two (2) orders of the Bankruptcy Court. The first appeal, (1:08-CV-04305) refers to the appeal from the order of Judge Peck of the Bankruptcy Court. That order was dated January 4, 2008, and it granted relief from the automatic stay to creditor 79 East Owners, LLC.
- 4. While Jeffrey L. Sapir is apparently the named appellee in that proceeding, the trustee takes no position on its outcome. The trustee did not appear or file any papers. This was a dispute between debtor and landlord.
  - 5. The second appeal pending in this Court (1:08-CV-04306) refers to

the appeal from the order of Judge Glenn of the Bankruptcy Court dated January 24, 2008, which granted the Chapter 13 Trustee's motion to dismiss the Bankruptcy proceeding. Jeffrey L. Sapir is the properly names appellee in this proceeding. Appellant's time to file the brief on appeal from this case is extended twenty-one (21) days from July 2, 2008 by order of this Court. Appellant sought by way of order to show cause a stay pending the appeal. The hearing was held before Judge Richard Berman and no stay was granted. The motion for reconsideration was also denied.

- 6. Regarding dismissal of the first appeal (1:08-CV-04305) the trustee takes no position. The original matter before Judge Peck was a motion to vacate the automatic stay for which is an issue the Chapter 13 Trustee takes no position. The trustee has no knowledge of whether documents were properly or timely filed.
- 7. Regarding the appellant's motion for consolidation of the two appeals, the trustee sees no cause and opposes the request. The appeals, while part of the same bankruptcy filing, stem from two different orders of two difference judges. The appellant's burden of showing that each judge was clearly erroneous should be handled separately. The issues before each judge were completely distinct and based on separate Bankruptcy Code sections.
- 8. This Court should also be aware that the debtor filed a subsequent Chapter 13, Case No. 08-11418 MG, and is presently pursuing that case.

**WHEREFORE,** it is respectfully requested that the motion for consolidation be denied.

Dated: White Plains, New York July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2008

/s/ Jeffrey L. Sapir\_

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COUNTY OF WESTCHESTER ) ss.:

Lois Rosemarie Esposito, being duly sworn, deposes and says:

I am not a party to the action herein, I am over the age of 18 years and reside in the County of Westchester, State of New York.

On July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2008 I served a true copy of the within document, to the herein listed parties at the address(es) designated for that purpose, by mailing same in a properly sealed envelope as follows:

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/s/ Lois Rosemarie Esposito
Lois Rosemarie Esposito

Sworn to before me this 15<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2008

## /s/ Jeffrey L. Sapir

Jeffrey L. Sapir Notary Public, State of New York No. 60-8764500 Qualified in Rockland County Cert. Filed in Westchester County Term Expires: 12/31/10